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CURRENT POSITION

Associate Professor Department of Theology (tenured) Vice President, College Theology Society
Assistant Chair Department of Theology
Loyola University of Chicago

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	Fordham University (Systematic Theology)	2011
M.Phil.	Fordham University	2008
M.T.S.	Harvard Divinity School (Theology)	2006
B.A.	Oberlin College (Religion and History)	2004

PREVIOUS ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Patrick and Barbara Keenan Visiting Chair in Religious Education June 2015 - December 2018
University of St. Michael's College at the University of Toronto

St. Norbert College: Assistant Professor of Theology, 2012-2015, Associate Professor of Theology 2015-2017,
Assessment Fellow 2015-2016, Research Associate 2016-2019.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & SOCIETIES

College Theology Society
Catholic Theological Society of America

CURRENT & FORTHCOMING

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Comparative Theology in the Millennial Classroom Hybrid Identities, Negotiated Boundaries co-edited with Reid B. Locklin (Routledge Press Research in Religion and

ÒSoteriological PrivilegeÓ iñ Teaching Comparative Theology in the Millennial Classroom Hybrid

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion (Lilly funded), Pre-Tenure Faculty Workshop 2012-2013.

St. Norbert College Grant, Fellowship, & Workshop Programs

- ¥ Summer Research Grant, Office of Faculty Development Summer 2015.
- ¥ Writing Intensive Course ReDesign Grant, Writing Across the Curriculum Program Spring 2015-Fall 2015.
- ¥ Teaching Technology Group, Digital Learning Initiative. Spring 2015.
- ¥ Faculty Fellows for Community Engagement, Sturzl Center for Community Service and Learning. 2014-2015.
- ¥ Summer Undergraduate Collaborative Research Project Grant. The Collaborative: Center for Undergraduate Research, Best Institutional Practices for Comparing Parallel Blindness in Soteriological and White Privilege. Summer 2014.
- ¥ Summer Research Grant, Office of Faculty Development Summer 2013.
- ¥ Summer Research Grant Office of Faculty Development. Summer 2012.
- ¥ Course Development Grant, Sturzl Center for Community Service and Learning Summer 2012.

SCHOLARLY ADDRESSES

Invited Presentations

- Ò Comparative Theology: Present Experience, Remembered Pasts, Imagined Futures, Ó in collaboration with Reid B. Locklin and Stephanie Wong. Keynote Address for Catholic Theological Society of America (Theme: Thinking Catholic Interreligiously). Atlanta, Georgia. June 2022.
- Ò What Does the "Muslim Ban" Tell Us About the Racialization of Religion and Soteriological Privilege, Ó Keynote Address for Leuven Encounters in Systematic Theology Conference (Theme: "Dissenting Church: Exploring the Theological Power of Conflict and Disagreement") Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (conference (s) 8 245.8 (U) v(ed) 8.4 () -222 (t)

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PROFESSIONAL & PEDAGOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

Leadership

Workshop Facilitator and Plenary Speaker, 2022 Workshop Gathering for New ATS Faculty, gave plenary address and facilitated discussion for professional and pedagogical workshop program for second year faculty in the Association of Theological Schools. May 26-27, 2022.

Individual Research Direction & Tutorial Courses

- ¥ Doctoral Committee Service, Loyola University Chicago.
- ¥ Master's Comprehensive Exam Committee Service, Loyola University Chicago.
- ¥ Doctoral Committee Service, University of St. Michael's College Faculty of Theology
- ¥ Masters of Theological Studies Research

